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Ms. Jocelyn Boyd  
Chief Clerk  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
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Columbia, South Carolina 29211

RE: Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of EE Vintage 0 Revenue Requirements – **Docket No.: 2012-302-E**  
Application of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for Approval of Rider 4  
**Docket No.: 2012-303-E**

Dear Mrs. Boyd:

On February 15, 2012, the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“the Commission”) issued a Directive with conditions and questions for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the “Company” or “DEC”) to address. The Commission asked the Company to file a schedule for its annual Save-a-Watt rider proceeding that: (1) allows no less than 90 days from the date of the Company’s Application until the effective date of the rider, (2) includes a deadline for Petitions to Intervene that expires 30 days after the Company’s filing date, and (3) requires the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff (“ORS”) and other intervenors to comment on the Company’s Application no later than 45 days after the Company filing date. The Company responded by requesting a timeline such that the Company’s annual filing would occur no later than August 1<sup>st</sup>; intervenor petitions would be due no later than 30 days after August 1<sup>st</sup>; and, intervenor comments would be due no later than 45 days after August 1<sup>st</sup>.

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The Company and the intervenors have been working diligently pursuant to this schedule. The Company filed its Applications on August 1<sup>st</sup> and since that time ORS has propounded numerous requests for information and the Company has turned over to them and to the environmental intervenors what is likely thousands of pages of documents, excel spread sheets and compact disks full of information needed to audit, evaluate and understand the Company’s request for approval of Rider 4 and the true up of Vintage 0.

Given the volume and complexity of the information related to the current Applications, the Company questions whether the allotted 45 day period will give the parties adequate time to review and discuss issues arising during the intervenors’ evaluations. For this reason, the

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Company hereby requests that instead of 45 days from August 1<sup>st</sup>, for Rider 4 and the true up of Vintage 0, intervenors have no more than 75 days from August 1<sup>st</sup>, or October 15, 2012, to file their comments. The Company seeks new rates associated with its Applications effective January 1, 2013. With the revised schedule, the Commission would have approximately the same amount of time as the intervenors to review and evaluate all submittals.

I have conferred with the environmental intervenors and they support the Company's request.

Sincerely,



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